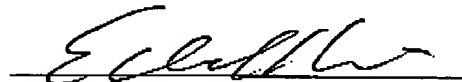


REMARKS

Claims 16 to 21, 74 to 76 and 92 to 97 are in the application, with Claims 92 to 97 having been added and non-elected Claims 1 to 15, 22 to 73 and 77 to 91 having been cancelled. Claims 16 to 21 and 74 to 76 have been elected for prosecution subject to a restriction requirement. It is hereby submitted that newly-added Claims 92 to 97 include features within the scope of the elected invention of Claims 16 to 21 and 74 to 76 and therefore, should be examined in together with the elected claims. Specifically, elected Claim 16 includes the feature of, if a determination is made that a device is in a power saving mode upon receiving a process request, a printer initial operation is started and the request is sent to a host device, but if a determination is made that the request is other than a print request, the printer initial operation is not started even if the device is in the power saving mode and the request is sent to the host device. Newly-added Claims 92 to 97 include features substantially corresponding to the foregoing. Accordingly, it is requested that Claims 92 to 97 be included with the elected Group III claims. Favorable review and early passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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